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1. THERE IS STILL NO DEFINITE WORD ON THE INTENTIONS OF ROMANIAN CHOREOGRAPHERS DUMITRESCU AND ZIRRA, AND BECAUSE DEPARTMENT'S OFFICIAL CONNECTION WITH THEM TERMINATED UPON COMPLETION OF THEIR IV PROGRAM, ROMANIAN EMBASSY HERE MAY LEARN OF THEIR ULTIMATE PLANS BEFORE WE DO.

2. AT PRESENT, ZIRRA IS IN SAN DIEGO WITH CALIFORNIA BALLET AND DUMITRESCU IS IN NEW YORK CITY AT JULLIARD SCHOOL. ROMEMB CULTURAL OFFICER OVIDIU PLOSCARU HAS TOLD US HE HAS INSTRUCTIONS FROM BUCHAREST TO TELL BOTH TO RETURN IMMEDIATELY. HE SAID HE WAS IN TOUCH ON DECEMBER 8 WITH ZIRRA, WHO ASKED PLOSCARU TO REQUEST PERMISSION FOR A DELAY. PLOSCARU IMPLIED HE WOULD TRY TO DO THIS.

3. BEYOND OFFERING GENERAL INFORMATION AS TO CHOREOGRAPHERS' WHEREABOUTS, WE HAVE NOT DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH ROMANIAN EMBASSY. AS STATED REFTTEL, WE DO NOT BELIEVE IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR DEPARTMENT OR EMBASSY TO SUGGEST
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TO GOR POSSIBILITY THAT CHOREOGRAPHERS MAY ASK TO REMAIN

IN US UNTIL THEY MAKE THEIR PLANS PUBLIC. ROBINSON

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